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Vienna, April 3.

Several reports have been spread abroad of the Designs of the Turks upon Hungary, while at the same time the Letters we receive from those that ought to know best, do not speak of the Preparations they are making, so as to give us any cause to believe they intend a War. The Palatine of Hungary is still here, expecting the return of an Officer he sent to Count Teckelej.

Frankfort, April 9. The Duputies of the Empire have agreed on an Answer to the Proposals of the French Ambassadors, of the 5th of January last, the effect of which is, That the Princes their Masters are very much satisfied with the assurances his most Christian Majesty gives them of his sincere intentions to maintain the Peace; that they will not be wanting on their part in any thing that may tend to the establishing it; That in order therunto, they doubt not but his most Christian Majesty will (according as his Ambassadors promised in their said Proposals) restore things to the state they were in at the time of his Ambassadors departure from Paris, and will cause all Proceedings concerning Dependencies to cease; which done, they hope the Complaints of the States that have been aggrieved, will be taken into consideration, and satisfaction given them; and declare, That they are willing to Treat upon these, and the other Points mentioned in the French Proposals.

Liege, April 9. The two Obstacles that chiefly hindered the conclusion of the Treaty, between the Elector of Cologne and this City, which were, That these Magistrates refused to Disband the Troops they had raised, and to set at liberty the Prisoners they had taken, are now removed; for the Magistrates (finding the Commonalty would not contribute the Moneys necessary for the maintenance of the said Troops) have resolved to do both; and besides, do not any longer oppose the raising of the 60th penny, which was the first occasion of these troubles, so that it is not doubted but that an accommodation will very speedily be made between his Electoral Highness and this City; and that thereby things will be restored to their former state and tranquility.

Cologne, April 7. Two days since Prince William of Furstemberg communicated to the Magistrates of this City, the following Declaration of the most Christian King, which he had received that day from the Court of France.

The King having always had a particular care to preserve a good Correspondence and Union with the States his Neighbors, and particularly those that depend of the Empire, and His Majesty being informed that some of those who for their particular Interests would

trouble the publick Peace and Tranquility, have spread abroad a report, that his Majesty has formed some Designe against the City of Cologne; his Majesty has empowered Prince William of Furstemberg, to assure those of that City of the contrary, and of his sincere intention to contribute whatever depends on him for their good and advantage, whether in time of Peace or of War; provided the said Prince can likewise be Caution to His Majesty, that the said City shall observe such a Conduct, as may not give his Majesty any just cause to mistrust them. And his Majesty does likewise by these Presents, Authorise the said Prince of Furstemberg to give the said City all the securities they can desire for that purpose. Given at St. Germain in Laye, the 25th of March, 1682. Signed Louis, and lower Colbert.

Upon which our Magistrates, after long deliberation, have resolved to write a Letter of Thanks to his most Christian Majesty. To Morrow or next day we expect here the 800 Men which our Elector is to furnish; and our Magistrates have written to the Bishop of Munster, to pray him to hasten the March of the 1000 Men, he has promised to assist them with. The States of Westphalia Assembled at Duisberg, have not as yet taken any formal Resolutions about assisting this City; all they have hitherto done, being, that they have resolved to bring into the Field, without any delay, their Quota of the Army of the Empire, which is 4039 Men.

Hamburg, April 10. It is reported that the Princes of Saxony, Brunswick and Hesse, are resolved to have such Bodies on foot, that in case there be occasion, they will together be able to bring, besides their Quota's of the Army of the Empire, 40000 Men into the Field.

Hague, April 14 Prince Louis of Brandenburg having been here some days, returned again this Morning for Utrecht, the place of his present Residence. Our Northern Letters continue to speak of an Alliance between France, Denmark, and Brandenburg; and at the same time tell us, that the King of Sweden does very firmly adhere to the Interests of the Empire; and that a Defensive League is Treating between him and the Princes of Lunenburg. The French King has by his Minister at Ratisbonne, acquainted the States Assembled there, That he had raised the Blockade of Luxemburg.

Paris, April 18. In our last we told you of a Decree the Parliament here had made, concerning the Regulars; of which, and the occasion of it, we can now give you a more particular account. Father Felix de Buby, of the Convent of the Carmelites here at Paris, having in a Lecture of Divinity, maintained the Doctrins contained in the late Declaration of the Clergy, and notice having been given thereof at Rome; the Commissary General of that Order, did by a Mandate dated the 28th of February last, require the Prior of the said Convent, to Suspend the said Father from exercising the Function of Divinity-Reader in that Convent, and accordingly the Prior did Suspend him;

of which, Information having been given to the Parliament by the Attorney-General, the Parliament ordered the 14th Instant, That the said Prior should appear before them, to give an account of his Proceeding; that he should produce the Mandate he had received from the Commissary General, and that he should shew the Attorney-General the Register of the Convent, to the end he might take thereout such Extracts as he should think fit. To which Order of the Parliament the Prior yielding Obedience, and accordingly appearing, he was (two of the antientest Fathers of the Convent being present) very sharply reproved for his Disobedience to the Kings Orders, and commanded not to execute the Mandate of the Commissary General, on pain of being Exemplarily Punished. The Parliament farther Ordered, that the said Father Felix de Buhy, should continue his Function of Divinity-Reader, and that the other Religious give him no disturbance therein, and commanded the Prior to present the said Father, as well as the other Religious of his Convent, to the Arch-bishop of Paris, that he may give him such Employments within his Diocess, as he shall judge him capable of; and this on pain of forfeiting the Temporalities of the said Convent, and the Priviledges that have been granted them by the King. The Court did farther Order, that the said Letter or Mandate of the Commissary General shall be suppressed, and rased out of the Register of the Convent; that this Decree of the Parliament shall be inserted on the side of it; and that notice shall be given thereof to all the Provincials of the Carmelites in France. The Parliament has likewise forbid all the Religious of that Order, and all others, whose Superiors are not resident in France, to Execute any Mandates, Letters, or Orders, of their Generals, which do not concern the internal and ordinary Discipline of their Convents.

Whitehall, April 11. The following Addresses have been Presented to His Majesty, who received them very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Declaration of the Grand Jury, bolden for the County of Cornwall, the 21 day of March, in the Four and Thirtieth Year of Your Majesties Reign.

May it please Your Majesty,

THOUGH Divine Providence has placed us in the remotest Part of this Your Kingdom of England, yet none of all Your Subjects shall be nearer to Your Majesty than us, whenever the Insolency of the Seditious or Turbulent shall offer any Occasion. And to this we are bound by the double Obligations of Gratitude and Duty; for otherwise we should be exceedingly ungratefully, both to the Memory of the Royal Martyr, Your Majesties Father, this County being Obligated to him for peculiar Favours and Priviledges granted us by his Grace; and to Your own Sacred Person, being Indebted to Your Vigilancy and Protection (next under Heaven) for our Liberties, our Lives, our Religion, and all that is dear to us.

For this reason, we lay at Your Majesties Feet our Lives and Fortunes, well knowing they are never safer than when reposed there. And we humbly beg Your Majesty not to look on this Paper as a piece of Formality or common Ceremony, but as a real Protestation of our good Affection and Loyalty. What we tell Your Majesty in a Black Character; we shall be ready to confirm in a Red; and on all oc-

casions, the Strokes of our Swords shall be as Loyal as these of our Pen.

For a fuller Demonstration yet of our Zeal to Your Majesty, and for the Establish'd Laws, and this Ancient Monarchy, we detest the horrid Confederacy of the Association, and abhor all such as either contrived it, or engaged in it, as Men of pernicious and most dangerous Principles. It begins, we confess, with fair Pretences of Loyalty and Religion, to blind their seduced Profelytes, but it ends with evil intentions, and fatal Resolutions. It is a Black Spirit disguised in the Mantle of Sanctity: It looks fair and plausible in the front, but in the Conclusion, we discover the Cloven Foot of it, which plainly shews that it was contrived by some Discontented Antimonarchical Fallen-Angel. It does not barely aim at Your Own Sacred Person, which is the lively Reflection of the Deity, but it strikes at the Roots and Foundation of the English Monarchy, which is the imitation of the Divine Regiment in Heaven. It wrests the Sword from the Hands of Your Majesty, and places all Authority in the hands of a few disaffected Persons. So that for these Reasons, we look on this Curfed Model of the Association, as Sedition and Rebellion, sublimated to the height, and as the very Extract of Disorder and Anarchy. But we bless Propitious Heaven, which has discovered this secret Machination, and has directed Your Majesty in these Nice and Critical times. It had been a Wonder how Your Majesty has walked thus securely and evenly through all the Windings and Labyrinths of State, had not the Laws been Your Rule to Conduct You, and had not Religion been the Standard of all Your Actions; that Religion in which Your Royal Father of ever Blessed Memory was doubly Baptized, both with Water and Blood. But as to this we only touch on it, for we intend no Panegyrick, knowing Your Majesty takes much greater Pleasure in doing Good, than in hearing the repeated Echoes of Your Royal Merits; and looking on Your great Virtues as a fitter Subject for the Records of Honour, in which Your Memory will smell sweet to all Eternity.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

Dread Sovereign,

WE the Grand Jury for this your County of Devon, think our selves obliged by the Duty of our Allegiance, at so publick an Assembly, to make this Declaration of our Loyalty: That having taken notice of the continued Attempts of the Enemies of your Majesties Government, and our Peace, to bring us again into Confusion, by entering into an Association, to transfer the Allegiance they owe your Majesty, and to vest it in their fellow Subjects, do in discharge of our Consciences, and at this publick time to encourage others in their Loyalty, declare, That we do detest and abhor all Associations, Leagues, and Covenants, in Derogation of your Majesties Supremacy; and will constantly and resolutely, with the ready Expence of our Lives and Fortunes, Defend your Majesties Sacred Person, your Heirs and Lawful Successors, together with the Religion and Government by Law established, against all Traiterous, or Seditious Conspiracies, or Confederations, as well Phanatick as Popish: And in our several Stations, endeavour to put in Execution, or cause to be Executed, the wholesome Laws that are provided against the ill Members of so well Constituted a Government, and Reformed a Religion. And as it becomes us, who are so truly sensible of the Blessing of your Majesties Serene and Easie Government (which next to your Majesties indulgent Care over us, we attribute to the prudent Conduct of your Royal Brother, whose happy return to your Majesty and us, we heartily Congratulate) shall study by all further Acts of Loyalty to approve our selves,

Your Majesties most Obedient Subjects,
and Servants.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of the Grand Jury of the County of Somerset, at their Assizes held at Taunton, the first day of April, Anno Domini 1682.

Your most Sacred Majesty having been Graciously pleased to accept the humble Address of the Justices, Grand Jury, and other Gentlemen of this County, who were present at the Sessions held at Bruton in January last, creates in us, who are now called hither upon a more publick Account, at the Assizes, the greater confidence solemnly to Declare our utter Detestation of all Associations which shall be entered into without Your Majesties Authority; and in particular, that which was found in the Earl of Shaftesbury's Closet. A Designe so framed, that it out-does all former Models of Rebellion, the Solemn League and Covenant itself not excepted; the dire effects of which Your Majesties Loyal Subjects long laboured under; and no less could have been expected, had not the Providence of Almighty God interposed, in detecting of this Designe, than the utter Subversion of the established Religion, and the Government of Church and State; for the Defence of which, together with Your Majesties Sacred Person, and the Succession of the Crown in its regular course of Descent, we shall be ready to sacrifice our Lives and Fortunes against all Opposers whatsoever.

And we cannot but Bless God for the happy Success of Your Majesties Affairs in Your Kingdom of Scotland, under the Conduct of his Royal Highness the Duke of York; whose submissive readiness to execute Your Majesties just Commands, will, we hope, have an exemplary Influence upon all Your Majesties Subjects, that so their Duty may be rewarded with the Blessings of Your Government, and Your Majesty happy in their Obedience.

To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty.

WE the Bailiffs, Burgeses, and Commonalty of Your ancient Corporation of Ipswich, in Common Council Assembled, having seen that Model of Treason, Anarchy and Confusion, stiled an Association, lately produced at the Trial of the Earl of Shaftesbury, and since Published by your Majesties Command, cannot think we should acquit our selves either as Good and Loyal Subjects, or Christians, did we not declare our utmost Detestation and Abhorrence of that, and all other Associations and Confederacies made by your Majesties Subjects (upon any pretence whatsoever) against your Majesties Crown, and true Succession thereunto. Great SIR, we cannot but see the deep Subtilties and Malice of most Vile and Wicked Persons, not only endeavouring daily by seditious Pamphlets, and Discourses, to draw your Majesties Subjects from their due Obedience to your Majesty and Government, (which is not more their Duty than their Happiness) but also to corrupt the Minds and Affections of Furors, who by Law, Duty, and Oath, are only Ministerial Agents for Inquiry, to usurp Judicial Power, to Determine and Acquit the Indicted; we cannot but judge it highly seasonable to declare our Abhorrence of such vile Practices; And to assure your Majesty, that we

are none of those Persons, who will sacrifice our Consciences to the Ambition and Lust of discontented and disloyal Subjects. Dread Sovereign, we do heartily acknowledge our Preservation from Usurped and Arbitrary Power, and the direful effects of that pernicious project of Association, next unto God, to be solely due to your Majesties Prudence and Courage: And we solemnly offer your Majesty the Assistance of our Lives and Fortunes for the Preservation of your Majesties Sacred Person, your Heirs and Lawful Successors, and for the Maintenance of the Government, both in Church and State, as by Law established, against all the Enemies thereof, of what Sect or Denomination soever. All this we unanimously agreed to, in the great Court of the said Corporation, the Third Day of April, in the Thirtieth Year of your Majesties Reign, &c. and have put to our Common Seal.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

WE your Majesties truly Loyal and Obedient Subjects, the Gentlemen, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the Wapentake of Ellon, within the parts of Holland, in your Majesties County of Lincoln, taking into our serious Consideration, the discovered reasonable Association, lately produced at the Proceedings against the Earl of Shaftesbury; And being sensible that as all Good Men think, Religion and Duty sufficiently bound to Loyalty, so all Rebels, Traitors, and Conspiracies, are carried on by Leagues, Covenants, Associations, and Combinations, the effects whereof we have too lately tasted; and finding by the daily practice of such as are disaffected to your Majesty and the present Government, that by Libellous and scandalous Pamphlets, they endeavour to breed a Misunderstanding betwixt your Majesty and your People, designing thereby to throw us back again into the same Miseries and Confusions we were lately Delivered from, by your Majesties Happy and Miraculous Restoration; We thought it our Duties humbly and heartily to declare to your Sacred Majesty, our Abhorrence and Detestation of the said Association; And that we will according to our Oaths and Duties, with Lives and Fortunes, Defend your Majesties Royal Person, Crown and Dignity, your Lawful Heirs and Successors, the present Government in Church and State, as is Established by Law, against all Leagues, Covenants, Associations, and Engagements whatsoever. In testimony whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our Names this First Day of April, in the Four and Thirtieth Year of your Majesties Reign, which we heartily pray Almighty God may be Long, Prosperous, and Peaceable.

The Humble Address of Your Majesties Corporation of Thetford, in the Counties of Norfolk and Suffolk.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE Your Loyal Subjects (being made very sensible, that the great Managers of the pernicious Association, to disinherit the now lawful Successor, were resolved not to rest there, but to use their utmost endeavour to contrive how to seize Your Sacred Person) do here solemnly Declare, That we shall look upon such as shall attempt One, to designe the Oiber, and shall Abhor them both, as Men resolved to invade the Prerogative of their Prince, destroy the Liberty of the Subject, and to make Parliaments, which have been